(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Institute.

(c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above. [Placed in library. *See* No.LT.2107/00]

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE-PATIL) : Sir, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (7) of Section 9A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), along with Explanatory Memorandum thereon:-

i. G.S.R. 593 (E) dated 7.7.2000 publishing the Notification No. 96/2000-Cus. dated 7.7.2000 seeking to amend the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 so as to increase the basic customs duty on Areca nuts from 35% to 100%. [Placed in library. *See* No. LT.2116/00]

ii. G.S.R. 594 (E) dated 7.7.2000 publishing the Notification No. 97/2000-Cus. dated 7.7.2000 seeking to amend Notification No. 16/2000-Cus. dated 1st March, 2000 so as to retain the basic customs duty of 35% on all goods, other than Areca nuts, falling under Customs Tariff Heading 0802.90. [Placed in library. *See* No. LT.2115/00]

iii. G.S.R. 595 (E) dated 7.7.2000 publishing the Notification No. 98/2000-Cus. dated 7.7.2000 seeking to amend Notification No. 61/2000-Cus. dated 12th May, 2000 so as to exempt Areca nuts from the levy of surcharge. [Placed in library. *See* No. LT.2115/00]